NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE-MAKING

AGENCY: Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S. §§6172, 6192, 6193 & 6194 Struck text is being removed, and underlined text is being added

BASIS STATEMENT

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources amends the emergency DMR Chapter 95.06(D), Area No. 21-F, Lower Sheepscot River and Sheepscot Bay (Georgetown, Southport), amended on March 18, 2008. This amendment reclassifies the Griffith Head Lagoon, Georgetown, from prohibited to approved, due to a completion of a water quality review and water quality meeting the approved standard. All existing pollution and red tide/psp closures remain in effect. As authorized by 12 M.R.S. §§6172, 6192, 6193 & 6194 the Commissioner of Marine Resources adopts emergency amendments to Chapter 95.06(D).

RULE TITLE AND SUBJECT: DMR Chapter 95.06(D), Area No. 21-F, Lower Sheepscot River and Sheepscot Bay (Georgetown, Southport), amended on March 18, 2008, is amended as follows:

TITLE & TEXT OF RULE: DMR Chapter 95.06(D), Area No. 21-F, Lower Sheepscot River and Sheepscot Bay (Georgetown, Southport)

Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of the following areas:

- A. Sheepscot River (Georgetown): south of a line beginning at the north tip of Lowe Point, then running east to the northeast tip of MacMahan Island, then continuing east to the red nun #12 buoy; AND inside and west of a line beginning at the red nun #12 buoy, then running southwest to the south tip of Middle Mark Island, then running south to Bull ledges, then continuing south to the north tip of Outer Head, then running southwest to the east tip of Griffith Head.; AND east of a line running across the mouth of the Griffith Head lagoon.
- B. Lower Sheepscot River (Georgetown): east of a line beginning at the southern tip of Indian Point, then running south to the southwest tip of Salter island, then continuing south to the north tip of Whaleboat Rock; AND west of a line beginning at the north tip of Whaleboat Rock, then running northeast to the southeast tip of Salter Island, then continuing northeast to the point of land at the east side of the mouth of the Little River, then running due west to a red painted post on the mainland.
- C. Lower Sheepscot River (Southport and Boothbay Harbor): north of a line beginning at the south tip of Bliss Island (Southport), then running northeast to a red painted post located at Ed Furber's dock, off Winslow Road (Southport); AND east of a line beginning at the north tip of Bliss Island, then running northwest to the southeast corner of Boston Island (Southport); AND south of a line beginning at the northeast tip of Boston Island, then running east to the green flashing light "7" at the north of Cameron Point (Southport), then continuing east to the red nun "#6" buoy, then continuing northeast to the land at the end of Eaton Road (Boothbay Harbor).
- D. Ebenecook Harbor (Southport): south of a line beginning at the north end of Big Green island extending to the north end of Raspberry Island; AND north of a line beginning at the dock on the east side of Big Green Island extending to the south end of Raspberry Island.
- E. Lower Sheepscot River (Southport): west of a line beginning at a red painted post located on the point of land beyond the end of Joppa Road, then running north to a red painted post located on the southeast corner of Browns Island; AND south of a line beginning at the north tip of Browns Island, then running west to the south tip of Big Green Island, then continuing northwest to the southwest tip of Little Green Island; AND inside and east of a line beginning at the southwest tip of Little Green Island, then running south to the red nun "#8" buoy, then running south to the red nun "#6" buoy, then continuing south to the northernmost end of the Cat ledges, then running southeast to the south tip of Cape Island, then northeast to the eastern tip of "The Ark," and continuing north to the southeast tip of Cape Newagen.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 23, 2010 EFFECTIVE TIME: 3:00 PM

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Maine Department of Marine Resources Pollution Area No. 21-F



Lower Sheepscot River and Sheepscot Bay (Georgetown, Southport)

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